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SUBJ: UNGA-LEGAL COMMITTEE--ORGANIZATION OF WORK

1. SIXTH COMITE HELD FIRST MEETINGS SEPTEMBER 25. DURING MORNING, CHAIRMAN GONZALEZ-GALVEZ (MEXICO) REVIEWED AND COMMENTED ON ITEMS ALLOCATED TO COMITE. ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS, GONZALEZ-GALVEZ SAID COMITE SHOULD DEVOTE UTMOST EFFORT TO TRYING TO OBTAIN APPROVAL CONVENTION AND SAID THAT, AFTER FIRST READING, DRAFTING COMITE WITH RESTRICTED BUT REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERSHIP SHOULD REVIEW ARTICLES, WHICH WOULD THEN BE RETURNED TO FULL COMITE FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION. ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARMED CONFLICT, HE SAID COMITE SHOULD DIRECT ATTENTION TO SYG'S REPORTS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN FIELD AND ON EXISTING LEGAL RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN SPECIFIC WEAPONS. ON ICJ, HE SAID PROBLEM BASICALLY ONE OF STATES' ATTITUDE TOWARD COURT AND SAID SIXTH COMITE HAD ALTERNATIVE OF ESTABLISHING AD HOC COMITE OR OF ADOPTING RESOLUTION WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO STATES ON FUNCTIONING OF COURT. COMMENTING ON REPORTS OF AGGRESSION AND TERRORISM COMITES, HE SAID FORMER HAD MADE MUCH PROGRESS AND LATTER LITTLE PROGRESS, HE THOUGHT UNCITRAL CONFERENCE ON SALE OF GOODS COULD BE SCHEDULED

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FOR IMMEDIATELY AFTER NEXT SESSION OF UNCITRAL IN NEW YORK.

2. SEVERAL SUGGESTIONS MADE RE PROPOSALS ON ORGANIZATION OF WORK CONTAINED IN DOC. A/C.6/L.899 (POUCHED L/UNA). KENYA SUGGESTED DEFERRING ILC REPORT UNTIL DELS COULD HAVE CHANCE TO STUDY IT. CHAIRMAN LATER ANNOUNCED GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT THAT ILC REPORT IN FUTURE BE DISTRIBUTED ONE MONTH PRIOR TO GA OR THAT IF THIS NOT POSSIBLE IT BE GIVEN LOWER SLOT IN COMITE AGENDA. KENYA ALSO SUGGESTED MOVING UP BOTH HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARMED CONFLICT AND HOST COUNTRY ITEMS. USSR SUGGESTED MOVING AGGRESSION AND HOST COUNTRY ITEMS TO SOPT ON AGENDA BETWEEN PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS AND TERRORISM. CHAIRMAN, STAVROPOULOS, AND UK REP GAVE REASONS WHY AGENDA PROPOSAL IN SECRETARIAT DOCUMENT APPROPRIATE. AFTER MORNING MEETING COMPROMISE WORKED OUT WHEREBY ICJ ITEM AND HOST COUNTRY RELATIONS ITEM SWITCHED IN ORDER, WITH REST OF AGENDA IDENTICAL TO THAT CONTAINED PARA 8 OF DOC. A/C.6/L.899. THIS ORDER AND ALLOCATION OF MEETINGS ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE AT BEGINNING OF AFTERNOON MEETING. THUS, CONVENTION ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS REMAINS SECOND ITEM, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR 22 MEETINGS OCT. 1-18.

3. CONSIDERATION OF ILC REPORT BEGAN DURING AFTERNOON MEETING WITH INTRODUCTION OF REPORT BY LC CHAIRMAN CASTANEDA. INTRODUCTION BASICALLY SUMMARY OF CONTENTS OF REPORT.
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